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Raymond Ford House
Buckeystown
Private

Circa 1900

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC Raymond Ford House

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

West Side Route 85

CITY, TOWN

Buckeystown

— VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

E.D. 1

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Frederick

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

—DISTRICT

☒ BUILDING(S)

—STRUCTURE

—SITE

—OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

—PUBLIC

☒ PRIVATE

—BOTH

PUBLIC ACQUISITION

—IN PROCESS

—BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

☒ OCCUPIED

—UNOCCUPIED

—WORK IN PROGRESS

ACCESSIBLE

—YES: RESTRICTED

—YES: UNRESTRICTED

☒ NO

PRESENT USE

—AGRICULTURE

—MUSEUM

—COMMERCIAL

—PARK

—EDUCATIONAL

☒ PRIVATE RESIDENCE

—ENTERTAINMENT

—RELIGIOUS

—GOVERNMENT

—SCIENTIFIC

—INDUSTRIAL

—TRANSPORTATION

—MILITARY

—OTHER

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME Wayne Wiles

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

Buckeystown

— VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland 21717

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Frederick County Courthouse

Liber #: 825

Folio #: 131

STREET & NUMBER

North Court Street

CITY, TOWN

Frederick

STATE

Maryland

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

—FEDERAL —STATE —COUNTY —LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION**CONDITION**

☐ EXCELLENT
☐ GOOD
☒ FAIR

☐ DETERIORATED
☐ RUINS
☐ UNEXPOSED

CHECK ONE

☐ UNALTERED
☒ ALTERED

CHECK ONE

☒ ORIGINAL SITE
☐ MOVED DATE _____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Raymond Ford House is a two and one-half story cross gable Carpenter Gothic residence which faces east from the west side of Route 85 in Buckeystown.

The principal facade is four bays wide. The main entrance, a replaced paneled door is located in the third bay. Occupying the remaining bays on the first and second level are replaced 1/1 sash with storm windows.

An original decorative frame porch with turned columns, scrolled brackets, and spindle work extends across the front of the building on the first level. The steps to the porch have been replaced.

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A two story original addition extends to the rear of the main block of the building. A two story open porch once graced the south side of this addition, but has been enclosed and added on to.

The entire building is constructed on a low random stone foundation and covered by a patterned slate roof with boxed cornice with return and cast iron snow stops. The original frame exterior has been covered by asbestos siding.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

PERIOD		AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW				
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION		
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE		
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE		
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN		
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER		
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)		
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION				

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Raymond Ford House was built between 1900 and 1904, after Mattye J. B. Ford, his wife, purchased the property from the M. J. Grove Lime Company in 1900.¹

Mattye Ford was the daughter of Otho J. Keller, founder of the Otho J. Keller Lime Company, and sister of William O. Keller, manager and treasurer of the company, who also lived in Buckeystown.

According to Williams', History of Frederick County, Raymond Ford was "senior member of the firm of Market and Ford, dealers in coal and wood, owning one of the largest coal yards in Frederick City."²

The Fords only owned the property until 1904, when it was purchased by F. A. Orderman for \$2,700.00.³ One year later, the property was sold to Ellen Padgett for \$3,500.⁴

In 1921, the Specht Family bought the house and retained it until 1942.

¹Frederick County Land Records, Liber DHH 5; Folio 403.

²Williams, p. 1066.

³Frederick County Land Records, Liber STH 267; Folio 523.

⁴Ibid., Liber STH 271; Folio 301.

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Williams, T. J. C., History of Frederick County Maryland, Regional Publishing Company: Baltimore, Maryland, 1967; 1906 Reprint.

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY _____

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

clh

NAME / TITLE

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CITY OR TOWN

Frederick

STATE

Maryland

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